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Director of U.S. Patent and Trademark Office P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Re: New U.S. Patent Appln. Our Ref: 080437.52925 US

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is a continuation application of International application No. PCT/EP02/04868 filed May 3, 2002 of:

Wolfgang DANGL, Reinhold KLUGE and Klaus STOLLE

entitled:

SYSTEM FOR OPENING AND CLOSING A FOLDING TOP OR MOVEABLE VEHICLE ROOF OF A CONVERTIBLE CAR

Enclosed are:

- 1. Specification, including thirty-nine (37) claims (pages 1-18).
- 2. Three (3) sheets of Informal drawings showing Figs. 1-6.
- 3. An Application Data Sheet.
- 4. Priority is being claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119 and 37 C.F.R. §1.55 based on Priority Document Nos. 101 26 672.3 filed in Germany on June 1, 2001 and 102 01 871.5 filed in Germany on January 18, 2002.
- 5. Benefit is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. §120 of pending PCT Application No. PCT/EP02/04868 filed on May 3, 2002.
- 6. The filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

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Multiple Dependent Claim Presented \$140/280 = \$

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A check in the amount of \$1,076.00 for the filing fee is enclosed. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 05-1323 (Docket #080437/52925US). A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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